

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An information generating apparatus is provided which can positively manage and control reproduction or the like on the main body for each country and so on after the illicit copy even when only the main body of recorded information is illicitly duplicated after a DVD is distributed, thereby positively preventing the illicit copy.

Region information is superimposed as a watermark WM in recording information. The region information controls permission of reproduction on the recording information, which is a target of at least one of reproduction and recording, for each predetermined region.